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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 22-0507 **Date:** August 11, 2022 **Prime Sponsors:** Rep. Tipper; Esgar Bill Status: Signed into Law Sen. Bridges; Moreno Fiscal Analyst: Will Clark | 303-866-4720 Will.Clark@state.co.us **Bill Topic:** AFFIRM PARENTAGE ADOPTION IN ASSISTED REPRODUCTION Summary of □ TABOR Refund ☐ State Revenue **Fiscal Impact:** □ Local Government ☐ State Transfer ☐ Statutory Public Entity The bill expands conditions for acknowledging parentage, and allows a non-child bearing parent or presumed parent, in instances of assisted reproduction, to complete an adoption of a child to affirm parentage. Starting in FY 2022-23, the bill will have a minimal, indeterminate impact on state expenditures. **Appropriation** No appropriation is required. Summary: **Fiscal Note** The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill. Status:

Summary of Legislation

The bill expands the conditions by which a presumptive parent, who did not give birth, may establish parentage and be considered the natural parent of a child. The bill also establishes a new adoption process, in instances when a child is conceived as a result of assisted reproduction, for a person who did not give birth but is a parent or presumed parent of the child. In these instances, both parents must join the adoption as petitioners.

State Expenditures

Starting in FY 2022-23, the bill will have a minimal but indeterminate impact on expenditures for the trial courts in the Judicial Department. Trial courts may see cost savings from cases that fit the adoption criteria established by this bill and the case is heard in a more streamlined manner. The bill may also lead to additional filings for formal adoption that would not have been pursued otherwise. The fiscal note assumes that any associated increase in workload from additional filings is absorbable within existing appropriations.

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Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on May 23, 2022, and it took effect on August 9, 2022.

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